

## **MINUTES**

### **State Board of Education**

### **Policy and Legislative Committee Meeting**

#### **Date**

**April 8, 2015**

#### **Time**

**9:00 a.m.**

#### **Location**

**Rutledge Conference Center**

**1429 Senate Street**

**Columbia, SC 29201**

***Dr. Traci Young Cooper, Chair***

***Cathy Hazelwood, Deputy Superintendent for Legal Affairs and  
Staff Liaison to the Committee***

## **I. Welcome and Determination of Quorum**

Chair Traci Young Cooper, Fifth Judicial Circuit, called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. A quorum was present. Chair Cooper welcomed everyone to the meeting and addressed the members present. Chair Cooper also took a moment to recognize and welcome the various visitors in the audience. State Board of Education (SBE) Policy & Legislative (P&L) Committee members attending were Michael Brenan, Chair-Elect, Governor's Appointee; Dr. Samuel Alston, First Judicial Circuit; and Thomas Ewart, Twelfth Judicial Circuit. Dr. Danny Varat, Thirteenth Judicial Circuit, attended via conference call, and Dr. Ivan Randolph, Eighth Judicial Circuit arrived late.

SBE member Jim Griffith, Second Judicial Circuit, was also in attendance.

South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) staff in attendance were Noelle Redd, Minutes Taker; Barbara A. Drayton, Deputy General Counsel, Division for Legal Affairs; Betsy Carpentier, Chief Operating Officer/Interim Deputy Superintendent, Division of Innovation & Effectiveness; Emily Heatwole, Director of Legislative Affairs; Roy Stehle, Director, Office of Federal and State Accountability, Division of Innovation & Effectiveness; and Darlene Prevatt, Team Leader, Office of Federal and State Accountability, Division of Innovation & Effectiveness.

## **II. Recognition of Visitors and News Media**

Visitors present were:

- Dr. Connie Dennis, Superintendent, Clarendon School District Three
- Dr. Floyd Creech, Director of School Readiness, Florence School District One
- Dr. Jesulon Gibbs-Brown, Superintendent, Orangeburg Consolidated School District Three

## **III. Approval of Committee Minutes for March 11, 2015**

Chair Cooper asked if there were any objections or amendments to the March 11, 2015, minutes. There being none, Chair Cooper stated that the minutes are approved as presented.

## **IV. Approval of Committee Agenda for April 8, 2015**

Chair Cooper asked if there were any objections or amendments to the April 8, 2015, agenda. There being none, Chair Cooper asked for a motion to approve the April agenda. Mr. Brennan made the motion. The motion was seconded by Dr. Alston. Motion carried, item passed.

## **V. Public Comment Period**

No one signed up for public comment.

## **VI. Board Item(s)**

### **FOR APPROVAL**

- 01. Clarendon County School District Three Waiver Request of State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-205 (R.43-205), Administrative and Professional Personnel Qualifications, Duties and Workloads**—Darlene Prevatt, Team Leader, State Accountability, Office of Federal and State Accountability, Division of Innovation & Effectiveness

Ms. Prevatt presented the Clarendon County School District Three waiver request of R.43-205, Administrative and Professional Personnel Qualifications, Duties and Workloads.

Mr. Brennan made the motion to approve the waiver request. The motion was seconded by Dr. Alston. Motion carried, item passed. Item 01 will be added to the Consent Agenda.

02. **Florence Public School District One Waiver Request of State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-205 (R.43-205), Administrative and Professional Personnel Qualifications, Duties, and Workloads**—Darlene Prevatt, Team Leader, State Accountability, Office of Federal and State Accountability, Division of Innovation & Effectiveness

Ms. Prevatt presented the Florence Public School District One waiver request of R.43-205, Administrative and Professional Personnel Qualifications, Duties and Workloads.

Mr. Brennan made the motion to approve the waiver request. The motion was seconded by Dr. Alston. Motion carried, item passed. Item 02 will be added to the Consent Agenda.

03. **Lexington School District Four Waiver Request of South Carolina State Board of Education (SBE) 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-205 (R.43-205), Administrative and Professional Personnel Qualifications, Duties and Workloads**—Darlene Prevatt, Team Leader, State Accountability, Office of Federal and State Accountability, Division of Innovation & Effectiveness

Ms. Prevatt presented the Lexington School District Four waiver request of R.43-205, Administrative and Professional Personnel Qualifications, Duties and Workloads.

Mr. Ewart made the motion to approve the waiver request. The motion was seconded by Dr. Randolph. Motion carried, item passed. Item 03 will be added to the Consent Agenda.

04. **Orangeburg County Consolidated School District Three Waiver Request of State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regulation 43-261 (R.43-261), District and School Planning**—Darlene Prevatt, Team Leader, State Accountability, Office of Federal and State Accountability, Division of Innovation & Effectiveness

Ms. Prevatt presented the Orangeburg County Consolidated School District Three waiver request of R.43-261, District and School Planning.

Dr. Randolph made the motion to approve the waiver request. The motion was seconded by Dr. Alston. Motion carried, item passed. Item 04 will be added to the Consent Agenda.

05. **Spartanburg County School District Seven Cleveland Academy of Leadership's Waiver Request of S. C. Code Ann. § 59-1-425(A), School Start Date**—Darlene Prevatt, Team Leader, State Accountability, Office of Federal and State Accountability, Division of Innovation & Effectiveness

Ms. Prevatt presented the Spartanburg County School District Seven Cleveland Academy of Leadership's waiver request of S. C. Code Ann. § 59-1-425(A), School Start Date.

Mr. Brennan made the motion to approve the waiver request. The motion was seconded by Dr. Randolph. Motion carried, item passed. Item 05 will be added to the Consent Agenda.

**FOR INFORMATION**

06. **South Carolina House Bill 3890, Proposed Amendment to S.C. Code Ann. § 59-1-425(C), Snow Day Waiver Authority**—Emily Heatwole, Director of Legislative Affairs

**VII. Consent Agenda**

07. **Items to be Placed on the Consent Agenda**

Chair Cooper asked if there were any objections to the placement of Action Items 01–05 on the Consent Agenda. There being none, Chair Cooper asked for a motion. Dr. Randolph made the motion. The motion was seconded by Dr. Alston. Motion carried, item passed.

**VIII. Other Business**

Chair Cooper reminded the members of the following:

- Teacher of Year Banquet—April 22, 2015, 6:00 p.m., Metropolitan Conference Center, and
- SBE Retreat—May 13–14, 2015
  - On May 14, there will be a discussion of the book, *Growth Mindset*, which was provided to all SBE Members.

<b>IX. Adjournment</b>
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There being no further business, at 9:41 a.m. Chair Cooper made the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Dr. Alston. Motion carried, meeting adjourned.